



# Foggy Bottom News

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## FBA Meeting

Tuesday

May 26

St. Stephen-Martyr Church

Auditorium

25th St. & Pa. Ave.

8 p.m.

Norris J. Green

Guest Speaker

**NOTE: MEETING PLACE IS DIFFERENT  
THIS MONTH**

This month our guest speaker is Norris J. Green, Sanitary Supervisor at the Department of Environmental Services. He comes to us with 16 years of experience. With this extensive knowledge of the services provided by the department, he will be able to discuss most of them with us.

At many of our meetings, litter, trash collection, street cleaning, and sewers have been topics of discussion. Mr. Green will help to answer any questions you have

about the workings of these offices. You may remember a meeting a few years ago at which we discussed the new water lines that are to be built for the District of Columbia. Now we can ask Mr. Green how the project is progressing. Air and water quality are also his areas of responsibility.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. Bring lots of questions with you. Remember, the meeting is on Tuesday, May 26, at St. Stephens.

## NOMINATIONS for 81-82 FBA Year

Candidates selected by the Nominating Committee who have agreed to serve as Officers and Directors of the Association for the year 1981-82 are as follows:

Vote for one person for each office.

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John Landgraf\*

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June Haley

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Melvin L. Ogden\*

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Janet Brake

Mary Brewster

Robert Charles\*

Lucille DuPratt\*

Maureen Holscher\*

Anne Lomas\*

Maureen Mosher

Dorothy Ohliger\*

Interested members who wish to become candidates may contact Rick Churchill chair of the

Nominating Committee at 331-7800.

The election will occur during our June 29th meeting.

\*Serving on FBA Board during 1980-81



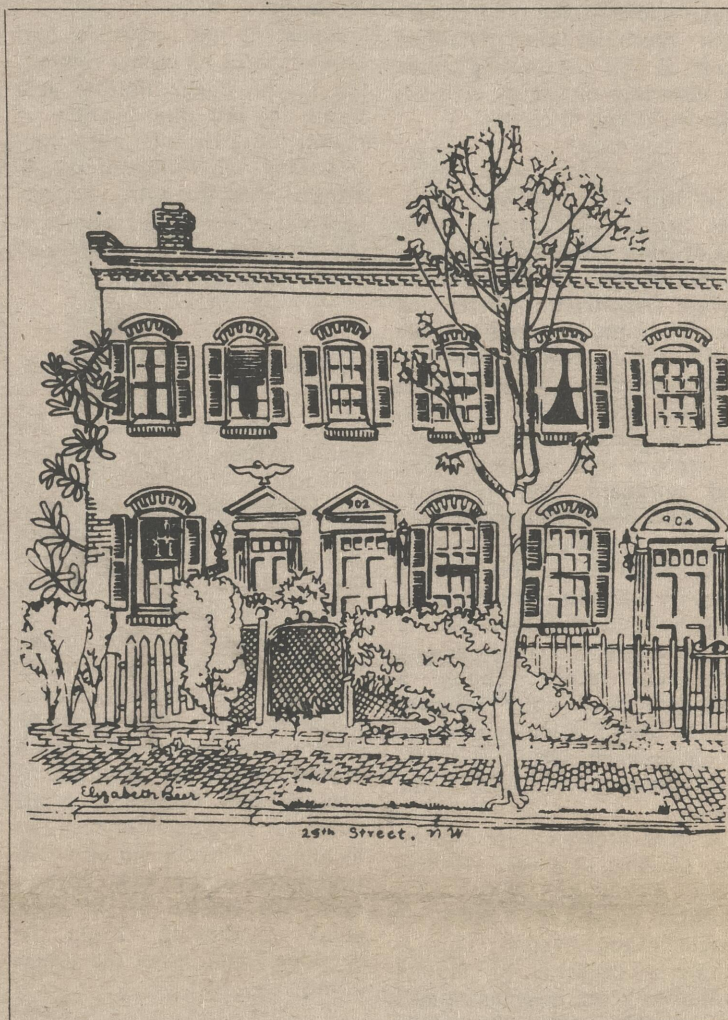
## Residents Win Bus Ban

The D.C. Department of Transportation has adopted a final rulemaking, effective May 29, 1981, which bans buses at all times on 25th St. N.W. from Virginia Avenue to K St., 26th St. N.W. from I St. to K St. and I St., N.W., from New Hampshire Avenue to 26th St. Residents of the affected community have fought strongly for two years to end the operation of tour buses on our narrow streets and alleys.

An emergency rulemaking adopted by DOT in September 1980 prohibiting buses between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. and limiting their route through our neighborhood proved unenforceable and insufficient to remedy the problems recognized by DOT. I would like to thank all of those who assisted me in a variety of ways in our work with DOT to achieve this final result.

Equally, we all owe our deep gratitude to Mr. Thomas M. Downs, Director of DOT and his excellent staff, Mr. James E. Clark, former Acting Director of DOT, Councilmember-at-Large, Henry A. Moore, Jr. and Ward 2 Councilmember John Wilson for their responsiveness to the grave concerns of residents that their rights to public welfare and safety be protected.

Maria Tyler  
Commissioner, ANC 2A



## GUEST EDITORIAL

## D.C. Bonds — Or Bondage

Steve Levy

I would like to ask you — fellow citizens and taxpayers — to help defeat a bill which may well plunge the District of Columbia further into fiscal irresponsibility and drive up our taxes.

Delegate Walter Fauntroy recently introduced a bill (H.R. 1807) to authorize the District to issue and sell 30-year general obligation bonds to finance our existing operating deficit of \$184 million. I support the principle of the District's being able to issue general obligation bonds to finance capital investment in new construction of substantial benefit to D.C. residents. H.R. 1807, however, has several serious defects which I would like to point out.

First the city council and mayor have reserved unto themselves all authority to determine if, when, for what purpose and in what amount bonds will be issued. We would be one of the few or perhaps the only jurisdiction in the U.S. in which the citizens have no voice in whether we want to issue bonds to fund specific projects. No authority should be granted the mayor or city council to issue bonds unless there is a

specific provision requiring a public vote or approval for each issue of bonds, with such information as the purpose of the bond issue, the means by which it will be repaid, and the effect of the repayment plan on our taxes. I do not believe that depriving us of these rights constitutes home rule.

Second we have been confronted with a continuous series of escalating estimates of the extent of our operating deficit. The current figure, after many denials and upward revisions, stands at \$184 million. Estimates I have seen of the total cost to taxpayers of financing this overspending over the next 30 years range from \$600 million (*The Washington Post*) and \$720 million (some citizens). That represents our taxes going up and a shift in the burden of coping with the problem from the present administration to us and our children. The District is unlikely to receive a high rating on its bonds and thus will have to pay a relatively high rate of interest. One guess as to who will pay this. I also see as undesirable, the issuance of long-

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# What You Missed Last Meeting

June Haley

Crime is a serious fact of life in the District of Columbia, Sgt. Edward Dowling, of the D.C. Police Department's Community Relations Division, told the Foggy Bottom Association members at the April 27 monthly meeting. He explained in detail several of the division's crime prevention programs and provided the members with brochures on preventing crime as well as reporting crimes or suspicious or strange activities that could lead to crimes.

Security inspection and operation identification are two of the major crime prevention programs sponsored by the Metropolitan Police Department. Under the security inspection program, the police will, on request, make an inspection of your home or office to check the security of doors, windows, locks and suggest ways to improve your personal safety and safeguard your property. Under the operation identification program, the police will engrave an identification number on your property and a list of your property with the identification number will be logged in a computer as a permanent record. Should a burglary occur, any property with an identification number can be immediately identified if the stolen property is recovered by the police.

A third program described by Sgt. Dowling as a very effective crime prevention effort is a citizen's program known as Neighborhood Watch. This is simply a program of mutual assistance among neighbors aimed at preventing crime. Neighbors work together and look out for one another's interest, such as watching one another's homes when on vacation.

Sgt. Dowling gave these telephone numbers to the Metropolitan Police Department: 911 Emergency Number - Call to report on suspicious persons or strange activity. 282-0050 - call if you have received suspicious

phone calls. Many times a burglar will call his potential victim to ascertain if someone is at home. Calls are received on this number from 7:00 a.m. to midnight. After midnight, or if unable to get an answer at this number, call 282-0070. In any emergency, the 911 number should be called immediately.

Some of the statistics Sgt. Dowling cited on crimes committed in the Foggy Bottom area within the last three months - rapes, burglaries - were very unsettling. The Sergeant recommended that the FBA residents read and follow the suggestions in the "Always Think Prevention" brochures he distributed.

## Development in an Urban District

The Minister Counselor for Public Affairs at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, George M. Elliot, discussed his experiences as a resident of Toronto, and the similarities of process of urban redevelopment in that city and in Foggy Bottom.

Mr. Elliott said the neighborhood he live in in Toronto before coming to Washington was called the Annex. It is a handsome turn-of-the-century neighborhood located next to the University of Toronto and became a prime target for developers of high-rise buildings. With the aid of a well established strong local government, the citizens of the community successfully fought the developers and saved the neighborhood.

## Business Meeting

President John Landgraf reported on efforts of the FBA to oppose the closing of Engine Company 23 of the D.C. Fire Company at 2119 G Street, N.W. Foggy Bottom Members have written to Mayor Marion Barry and D.C. Council Member John Wilson in protest of the closing.

The ANC has agreed to contribute to the defense fund of the Tenant's Association Organization at 925-25th Street, N.W. President Landgraf said the FBA Executive Board would consider making a contribution also.

FBA Executive Board Member Eleanor Becker reported on additional changes in bus routes in the neighborhood and a proposal to discontinue the "downtown" bus. Hearings will be held in May on these proposed changes and the FBA went on record opposing them by passing a motion stating "the downtown bus line should be retained and bus No. 81 should not be rerouted to K street."

President Landgraf reviewed the program for the Spring Block Party in celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Foggy Bottom Association. Past President Alfred Cottrell complimented Editor Kathy Haley on the special 25th Anniversary Edition of the Foggy Bottom News and the following motion was passed in recognition of time and effort devoted to the publication of the news: The Foggy Bottom Association recognizes the efforts of the editor and all others who work on the paper and commend them for the production of a very interesting and well-conceived newspaper on the 25th Anniversary of the Association.

Mr. Landgraf announced the names of the members of the FBA Nominating Committee for candidates for office in the Foggy Bottom Association. The elections will be held at the June monthly meeting. The members of the committee are: Chairman, Richard Churchill, Isabella Gepert, May Aaberg, and Virginia Mullroy.

In the June issue of the Foggy Bottom News, we will report on what we hope will be a very successful and enjoyable Spring Block Party in tribute to the 25 years of concerted effort by the residents of Foggy Bottom to build and maintain this lovely neighborhood.

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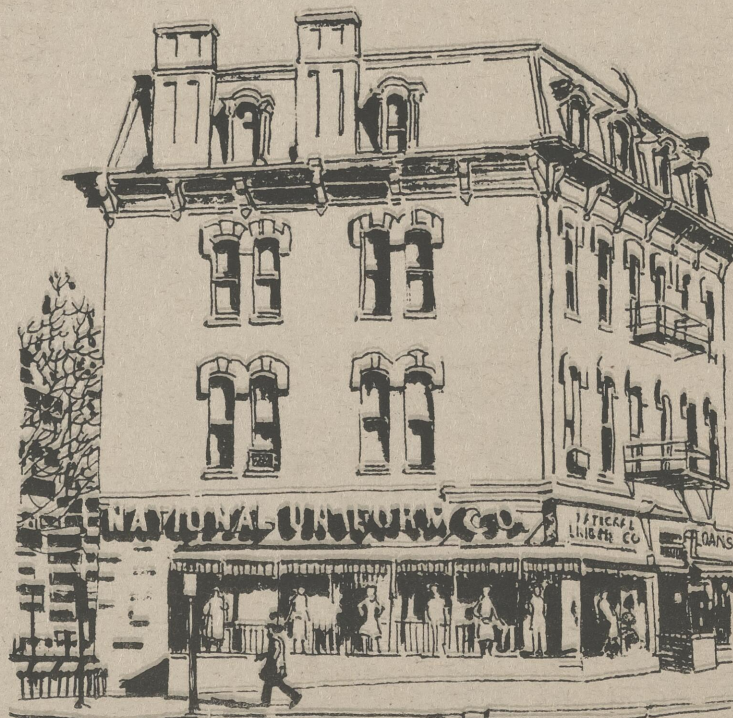
RAY MILLER

## News and Views from Queen Anne's Lane

Queen Anne's Laners continue their travels. Recently my husband and I spent one week sightseeing in North Carolina. We visited Edenton, a charming old town which had been the first capital of the state for forty years. In spite of a heavy snow storm in Winston Salem we were able to enjoy a visit to a beautifully restored section of the city, formerly called Salem. It is well worth a visit, as is Reynolda, the former home of the Reynolds family, where the collection of American artists is first rate. Barbara and Warren Levinson, California residents presently living on the Lane, have just had an interesting tour of the New England states. Annmarie Emmet recently returned from a holiday in Egypt. Marguerite Stoessel has two house guests from Lima, Peru. Mrs. Walter Stoessel and her daughter, Mrs. Juan d'Auriol. Marguerite has also been cited by Woodward & Lothrop as the fifth ranking salesperson in the Woodward & Lothrop corporation. Congratulations! Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Mullens have returned to the Lane after a honeymoon in the Caribbean.

Our supportive Councilmember, John Wilson, was guest speaker at the American Society of Public Administration, D.C. Chapter's recent luncheon at the Marvin Center and several residents of the Lane attended. Councilman Wilson, Chairman of the D.C. Finance Committee, discussed some of his ideas for resolving the financial problems of our city.

Mary Brewster



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## Bonds or Bondage

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term bonds while we have a 19% prime rate.

A third, related problem, is in the reliance on long-term financing to cover current operating deficits. This presents a serious threat to the future financial stability of the District. Are we to become the next New York or Chrysler Corporation?

Is there a solution? I think there is a good idea within a proposal by the Capitol Hill Restoration Society to allow the District to immediately borrow funds from the U.S. Treasury to finance operating deficits for a period not to exceed five years. This would force the current administration to deal with the problem — not sweep it under the rug. Short-term borrowing also can be used in con-

junction with long-term bonds (properly approved by the citizens) to begin projects in anticipation of long-term financing or to permit temporary withdrawal of a proposed issue from the market.

Your help is needed to prevent this legislation from being enacted. At this point Congressman Fauntroy has prevented all citizens' groups and individuals in opposition from testifying at the hearings. Please write and call the representatives and senators listed below to express your opposition to H.R. 1807. In asking for your help, I am speaking as a single member District Commissioner and taxpayer and am not representing the Advisory Neighborhood Commission. Please Help.

Members of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on the District of Columbia:

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Ronald V. Dellums Chairman Rm 1310, Longworth Office Bldg 20515	225-4457
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## West End Citizens Oppose Closing of G St. Fire Station

Peggy Soares

At the April 16 meeting of the West End Citizens Association, held at the Red Cross Auditorium on 2025 E St., N.W., two resolutions were passed and talks were given by a representative from the Community Services Branch of the Police Department and ANC Chairman Jon Nowick.

Bill Hansback, vice president of the Association, offered a resolution to save the Fire House on 2119 G St., N.W. President Jimmy Molinelli proposed that if cable television is introduced into the West End, the citizens should have a voice in the programming. Molinelli will send both resolu-

tions to Mayor Barry and to City Council Member John Wilson.

A police officer from the Community Services Branch of the Department spoke on the Crime Solvers program. Crime Solvers encourages citizen involvement in crime fighting by offering a means to report criminal suspects anonymously.

Finally, ANC Chairman Jon Nowick spoke about how the Advisory Neighborhood Commission and other groups have benefited the Foggy Bottom area. He said that these groups have been effective in resisting commercial developments, holding down crime rates and fighting increased noise, pollution, and traffic problems.

"Although the neighborhood is faced with these serious threats," he said, "organizations like the ANC and FBA are prepared to meet then, to defend their interests and preserve the unique character of the neighborhood." Nowick said that because of the strength and success of the organizations, this neighborhood is more united than ever.

The West End Citizens Association meets three times each year. As always, the April meeting featured the fresh-baked goodies of Lucille Molinelli.

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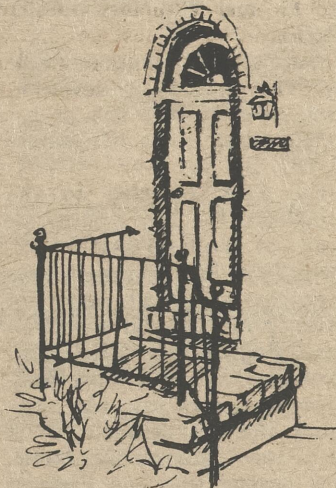
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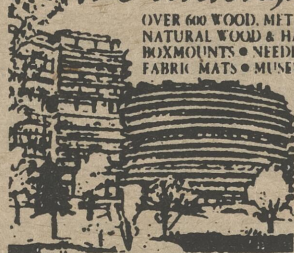
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## Thanks!

Our warm thanks are due to Mr. Seward Cross, Acting Assistant Director in the D.C. Department of Transportation and his dedicated staff in the Bureau of Traffic Engineering and Operations for their responsiveness to our concerns about the hazardous traffic situation that has prevailed at the corner of 25th and K Streets, NW. When approached about the problem late last year, Mr. Cross and his staff moved expeditiously to secure the necessary financing and to install the yellow poles which now separate the service road coming from 26th Street until the corner of 25th Street. The device has the very welcome results of (1) providing greater safety to pedestrians crossing K Street at 25th Street, inter alia, because there is now an additional island which can be used by them to guard against the speeding traffic if they do not manage to cross K Street in the time provided by the traffic lights, and (2) serving as an added reminder to motorists that it is illegal to enter 25th Street southbound from K Street.

Maria Tyler, Commissioner  
ANC 2A03

## ANC Meeting

Tuesday,  
June 2

St. Mary's Court  
725 24th St.  
7:30 p.m.

## Bus Route Changes Opposed

The Foggy Bottom Association has filed a statement in opposition to two proposed bus route changes. The proposals affect many routes, but those of most concern to our neighborhood are the 81 and the Downtowner Midibus.

Hearings on the proposals were held May 18-20, but citizen comments possibly may still be accepted. Other routes affected are 60, D-1, D-3 and D-9.

The FBA objected to the rerouting of the 81 to K Street instead of Pennsylvania Ave., stating, "we have major changes to propose, specifically that it not travel up 18th to K Street, but instead continue east on F Street, north on 17th and east on Pennsylvania as in the past. (An alternative, albeit less desirable, would be to travel east on Eye Street, thus passing near the Farragut West, McPherson Square and Farragut North Metrorail stations. The reverse routing would be west on H Street, south on 17th, and west on G Street.)"

The rationale behind FBA's arguments is to keep buses off already congested streets (18th and 19th) and to provide routes convenient to Foggy Bottom citizens traveling to the downtown area.

Send any comments you have on proposed bus route changes to: Delmer Ison, Secretary to the Board, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001.

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## NEWS FROM THE CLARIDGE HOUSE

Dorothy Ohliger

Have you ever been to Wuxi? Well, Dr. Barbara Filner has. An outstanding biologist at the National Academy of Sciences, Dr. Filner recently returned from the People's Republic of China after touring the cities of Wuxi, Sian, Shanghai, Peking, and Nanking with the Math Science Network, a group of women scientists. On her way home from China, she stopped in San Francisco to do a bit of bird watching. Barbara has lived in Foggy Bottom for 2½ years.

Talented artist Virginia Tannar keeps her fans happy by exhibiting in one show after another. This time it's a May exhibit sponsored by the Washington Project for the Arts. The show took place at 930 F Street, N.W., a downtown art center for many of the area's outstanding painters.

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## ANC NEWS FROM A TO Z

**ANC News** — What is happening in Foggy Bottom-West End? Excerpts from the May meeting of the Foggy Bottom and West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission.

The ANC is located at 1920 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006. Phone number is 659-0011. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM. The elected members of the commission are Jon Nowick, Lou Rigdon, Maria Tyler, Howard Feldman, Steve Levy and Jimmy Molinelli. Rick Churchill is the administrative assistant.

**Alley Closing:** Commissioner Feldman reported on an alley closing on the northern side of the block bounded by I, K, 20th and 21st Streets so that a new office building could go up. The building is a matter of right use. Feldman recommended that the ANC neither supports nor opposes this alley closing application.

**Bus Ban:** Commissioner Tyler reported that the D.C. Department of Transportation was about to make a final decision on the ANC's recommendation for a bus ban on some local streets on and around 25th Street. She expressed hope that a favorable decision would soon be announced.

**Bus Routes:** Commissioner Levy discussed a proposal by Metro to eliminate the N-8 bus route and reroute the 80 and 81 buses. He introduced, and the Commission adopted, Resolution E-1 to address these changes. (See related story).

**Census Results:** Commissioner Levy reported on the results of the Census for Foggy Bottom and West End, which appeared to show a serious undercount of the number of students in the area. Levy emphasized that students should be counted under the census requirements. Underscoring the ANC's concern to represent all residents in the area, Levy introduced Resolution E-7, requesting the City Councilman John Wilson seek to correct this problem. GWU representative Ken Brooks offered the University's cooperation on this matter.

**Demolition Bill:** The Commission voted to express opposition to a bill introduced by Councilman Wilson which would loosen restrictions on demolishing housing to allow commercial development in some zone districts. Wilson has maintained that the bill would have a minimal impact on housing and that its passage might prevent the introduction of more sweeping bills to encourage commercial development. The Ward Two Tenants Council has sharply differed, insisting that the bill potentially threatens housing and sets a bad precedent for other revisions of the housing laws. After prolonged discussion, Commissioners Feldman, Molinelli, Rigdon and Tyler voted to oppose the Wilson bill; Levy and Nowick abstained.

**Drug, Prostitution Bill:** In a divided decision, the Commission voted 4-2 to support Councilmember Wilson's bill to prohibit solicitation for prostitution and drug trafficking. The chairman of the Shaw-Downtown ANC had asked the ANC's support for the measure at the last meeting. A similar law is in force in New York City. Commissioners Feldman and Rigdon expressed legal reservations over the wording of the bill, which is now before the Council.

**Hotel Amendments:** The Commission adopted a resolution authorizing a response to a proposal by the hotel industry to allow some "technical" modifications in the decision on last year's major hotel zoning case. The resolution authorizes the ANC to underscore its concerns in the hotel case decision and submit some technical amendments of its own to the Zoning Commission.

**Housing Rep:** The Commission voted to appoint Jenny Brake, president of the Bader tenants association at 2525 K Street, as the ANC's representative to the newly created D.C. Housing Finance Agency advisory board. The agency is designed to facilitate favorable loans for housing development. Brake was one of two candidates considered for the position. The position will rotate annually among the four ANC's in Ward Two, according to a system worked out by their chairmen.

**K and 25th Safety:** Commissioner Tyler announced that, on her request, the D.C. Department of Transportation had installed yellow poles as traffic barriers along the hazardous intersection at 25th and K Streets. DOT had installed "Pedestrian Crossing" signs at that intersection a month earlier. Tyler wrote a letter to DOT official Seward Cross expressing appreciation for his responsiveness. (See related story in this issue.)

**Legal Volunteers:** The D.C. Bar has solicited volunteers from the public to serve on committees and represent the public interest, Commissioner Levy reported.



**Library Committee:** ANC Library Operations committee head Robert Alcorn reported that he is collating information on the number of children living in Foggy Bottom and West End to determine how much of the West End library's resources should be devoted to children's needs.

**Liquor Licenses:** The Commission announced that applications were pending for liquor license transfers for the former Fricky's bar property at 2512 L Street and the liquor store at 2331 Virginia Avenue.

**Municipal Bonds:** Commissioner Levy introduced a resolution expressing reservations about a proposal by the District government, now before Congress, to float municipal bonds to improve the city's finances. The resolution voiced particular concern that the bonds could be authorized without a public referendum, as is required in most cities. A sense of the meeting vote indicated that most of the citizens present favored the resolution. Several commissioners said they agreed with much of the content of Levy's resolution but had reservations about engaging the ANC's limited resources on this issue. The resolution failed to achieve the necessary majority vote of commissioners. (See related story in this issue.)

**925-25th Street.:** Commissioner Nowick reported that the attorney for the ANC and the 925-25th St. tenants association had filed an appeal to a Rent Administrator's decision allowing some 55 units in the building to be converted to transient use. The D.C. rent control law prohibits such conversions after June 4, 1980. The ANC and the tenants association have sent letters to Council member Charlene Jarvis, requesting that she refrain from introducing any legislation to allow exemptions from this law. Jarvis had withdrawn such a motion last November following massive citizen pressure. Other councilmembers also have contacted.

**Penn & 24th St. Project:** Commissioner Nowick reported on an informal meeting held in April between the ANC commissioners and developer David Marshall, who has been engaged to develop the parking lot site at the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 24th Street. Marshall's tentative plans call for a mixed-use condominium/office project, possibly including some medical clinic use. The commissioners expressed to Marshall and his assistant, former Swarthmore tenants association president Despina Kaneles, the ANC's interest in providing maximum housing and retail services, avoiding medical clinic use, and insuring that the design is architecturally compatible with its surroundings. Marshall and Kaneles promised to keep the ANC informed and have been invited to appear at a public ANC meeting when the plans are firmer. Subsequent to the May 5 ANC meeting, Marshall informed Nowick that the project's financiers had acquired the adjacent property containing Diplomat Cleaners and Penn Beverages and would probably build on that site too. He disavowed reports that he has as of yet taken on any contractor.

**Red Lion Row:** On the recommendation of committee chair Karen Gordon, the Commission adopted several resolutions authorizing continued efforts to modify the George Washington University's development proposal for the 2000-block of I Street, known as Red Lion Row. The University's proposal has been opposed by the Joint Committee on Landmarks and the National Capital Planning Commission. The ANC will urge the City Council not to approve an alley closing for the block until all the necessary D.C. and federal bodies have approved the project. It will also ask reconsideration of the Zoning Commission decision because of procedural errors. The ANC has maintained that the current proposal calls for too massive a new building and does not preserve an adequate amount of the historic landmark townhouses. Marquette resident Ed Hase read a statement at the meeting expressing doubts about the compatibility of the new building with the townhouses.

**Rock Creek Bike Use:** A representative from a pro-bicycle group, Michael Replogle, requested the ANC's support for a proposal to close some roads leading into Rock Creek Parkway to facilitate bicycle use. Commissioner Nowick introduced Resolution E-9, authorizing the ANC's transportation committee head Steve Levy to draft comments to the proposal.

**Sherry Towers:** Commissioner Levy reported that the Board of Zoning Adjustment had issued its formal decision agreeing with the ANC that Sherry Towers Apartments could not be converted into a hotel. Levy also reported that the Sherry Towers tenants have notified the Rental Accommodations Office about a 15 percent rent hike proposed by the management. The RAO will determine whether such an increase is legal.

**Trash Removal:** Commissioner Molinelli, head of the ANC's Environmental Affairs committee, announced that the city will sponsor a "spring cleanup" in our area on the week starting June 1. Local residents are encouraged to set out any large trash items, leaves, and other items not routinely collected by the sanitation services.

**2112 F Street:** An area resident at the meeting notified the Commission that the new condominium going up at 2112 F Street apparently intends to include some medical or dental office use. Commissioner Nowick noted that, through a quirk in the zoning regulations, medical "offices" are not permitted in such residential areas but medical "clinics" are.

**Wash. Circle Townhouses:** Michael Martinson, of 2329 Pennsylvania Ave., briefed the ANC on efforts by a developer to buy several townhouses on the northwest side of Washington Circle. Martinson and tenants of another townhouse are trying to buy their own homes under the D.C. law allowing tenants first right of refusal, but they have been encountering difficulties and have hired attorneys. The ANC offered to be of assistance in any way possible to insure that D.C. laws are respected.

**Zoning Changes:** Commissioner Tyler and her special assistant Lila Roper have analyzed some proposed zoning changes for residentially based community facilities such as charitable organizations and halfway houses. They concluded that the changes apparently would not affect our area, which already allows such facilities as a matter of right in most zone districts, and recommended that the Commission take no action.

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## Margolis Victory

The D.C. Court of Appeals has issued its full written decision of the Margolis case, in which George Washington University attempted, unsuccessfully, to prevent Sidney Margolis from converting his clothing store at 22nd and G Sts. to a neighborhood restaurant.

The University had maintained it was not seeking to make the campus master plan binding upon privately-owned property within the area of the plan, but to establish that the Board of Zoning Adjustment is "required to consider" what effect the "change and extension of the non-conforming use" would have on the campus plan. (Mr. Margolis is switching from one non-conforming use to another).

The court ruled that to accept GWU's argument would be to "require the development of all private property within campus plan boundaries to conform to the campus plan." This position, said the court, "would permit the university to achieve indirectly what it cannot obtain directly — application of the campus plan to the private property of others."

"Such an approach," said the court, "would arbitrarily deprive owners of nonconforming private property within the campus boundaries of their right to change and extend their nonconforming uses. . . We decline to force such an interpretation on the board."

Anyone who would like to read the full decision may call the ANC office at 659-0011. Copies are not available.

## Volunteers Needed

The District of Columbia Bar is looking for non-lawyer volunteers to represent the public interest on several of its committees. The Bar is an arm of the D.C. Court of Appeals and assists the court in carrying out and improving the administration of justice in the District. Additional public representatives are needed on the Bar Board of Governors, Citizens Advisory Committee, Legal Ethics Committee, Board on Professional Responsibility, Hearing Committees (on unethical conduct), Fee Arbitration Board and Fee Arbitration Hearing Panels.

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"Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home." It's an old song, but true. Just look around you . . . at your home, your family, your possessions.

Today's rising crime rate threatens all of them. Burglaries, assaults, and worse are happening today much more frequently than ever before. How can we protect ourselves? How can each of us increase our own personal security and that of our homes and families? There are no easy answers, but there are answers. In fact, the point of this article is to look at today's most common crimes and at the simple, basic ways you can avoid being a victim of America's senseless crime spree.

### FORCED ENTRY

Of all possible crimes, the most common one statistically is theft of property when no one is home. Police investigators and insurance adjusters describe the following common denominators in residential burglary.

The crimes occur most often in midafternoon, late in the work week. Burglary seems to increase during the later months of the year. Middle-class suburbs are the most common targets, but this may be because the very poor and the very rich often fail to report robberies to the police.

Burglary sites are often single homes or ground-floor apartments. The lock most often involved is the knob lock, which is actually easier to break open than

it is to "key" open.

Often when a robbery occurs, something has caused the home or apartment to fail the so-called "Low Profile" test. Sometimes a known car is gone: there are signs of a vacation: someone has made a chance remark which told a stranger that the house would be unoccupied.

The thief? He's usually a male under 25. In many cases, he'll set a fire to cover his tracks. In most instances the house will be left in shambles as he has looked for every possible hiding place of small valuables. What is he particularly looking for? Small items that can be easily pocketed — cash, jewelry, gold or silver coins. Firearms are also a popular target.

These small items are easily sold. A middle-class home can yield \$300 to \$400 for twenty minutes' work. Possessions like a 35mm camera, a few pieces of jewelry (bet you keep yours in your top bureau drawer, under the hankies or socks) and silver or such all sell quickly through weekend flea markets or in free-ad swap papers.

To help combat the small-time thief, many cities now have "Swap Meet Teams" of undercover detectives. They make the rounds of weekend swap meets and garage sales looking for identifiable stolen property.

### Identifying Your Property

If you're looking for one of the best ways to stop a thief from vic-

timizing you, consider ID marking.

Simply mark all of your valuables with one of the vibrating or diamond-tipped marking styluses available. Place marks like your driver's license number in two places — one obvious and one hidden — on items like radios, binoculars, and sporting goods. One good idea is to cover the hidden ID's you've made with a little matching model-maker's paint where only you know to look for it. Another good idea to prove what's yours is yours is a business card or some other form of ID card or some other form of ID card dropped into the window opening of your car door. Odds are extremely good no thief will ever find — or destroy — that proof of ownership.

When marking other objects, take pictures of special marks on items of value. Also take pictures of possessions like jewelry that are too small or too fragile to mark with the marking styluses. Even if your property is stolen and never recovered, these photos will be invaluable in collecting insurance.

### Posting Warning Signs

Your ID marking project isn't complete until you put signs or decals on your doors and windows stating that your possessions and your car are protected by alarms, patrols, rewards and hidden ID markings. Whether or not you actually have all of these things, professional and casual burglars alike have stated repeatedly that they avoid homes and cars with these warnings posted. If the area where you live has a large bilingual population, it will be sensible to make all your antitheft and entry warnings in two languages.

### The "X" Factor

If you're a big fan of spy novels, you may remember that counter-intelligence people call all these warning signs and such "X Factors." This means that a thief may doubt that your house actually has all the alarms and protective devices your signs say it has, but he can't prove it until he actually tries to victimize you. When criminals sense that a possible target may have taken protective measures, they prefer to look elsewhere — for an easier mark.

### Locks and Keys

A good set of locks and keys is another major crimestopper. Thieves quickly recognize which locks are easy to break and which are too tough to tackle. For most people, standard deadbolt, or rim, locks offer sufficient protection — especially when combined with signs and the other deterrents already mentioned. Is locking up a nuisance? Certainly, but do it anyway! Many criminals constantly case neighborhoods checking to see who locks and who doesn't. Every year a lot of unlocked doors and unlocked cars are found by the wrong people.

### Key Control

Always remember that it's impossible to guarantee the security of any set of keys, if someone besides yourself did, or had done, the installation of the lock. In brand new buildings, keys have often been in the hands of subcontract workers doing interior jobs. Also, building developers and owners often have master keys made to check construction work in progress. Apartment managers

# Safe and

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almost always have master keys around for spot inspections and the like. In fact, "mastering" of groups of locks is much more common than you may have thought. When you change the cylinders on a lock, have the locksmith show you the old set of pins from it. If the lock contained a few small extra pins, it means that at some time a master key was cut.

Because it's impossible to tell who has keys made from such a master, be certain to change the lock cylinders any time you move into a new residence. Re-key every door. If necessary, assure your landlord that you will abide by legitimate inspection regulations, and tell him that he has permission to break in during emergencies. Do whatever your landlord or city regulations require, but change those cylinders!

If the place you live has only a keyed knob lock, immediately add a solid deadbolt, or rim lock to the door. A solid, as opposed to hollow-core, door is also advisable.

### Old-fashioned Window Latches Should Be Replaced with Better Locks

Or the casements should be screwed shut where possible. For ventilation windows, drill holes that allow you to pin the casement open or closed. (At the end of this article, you'll find a list of publications which do-it-yourselfers can send for at no cost from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration. They all contain technical information on locks, keys, and other home security subjects.)

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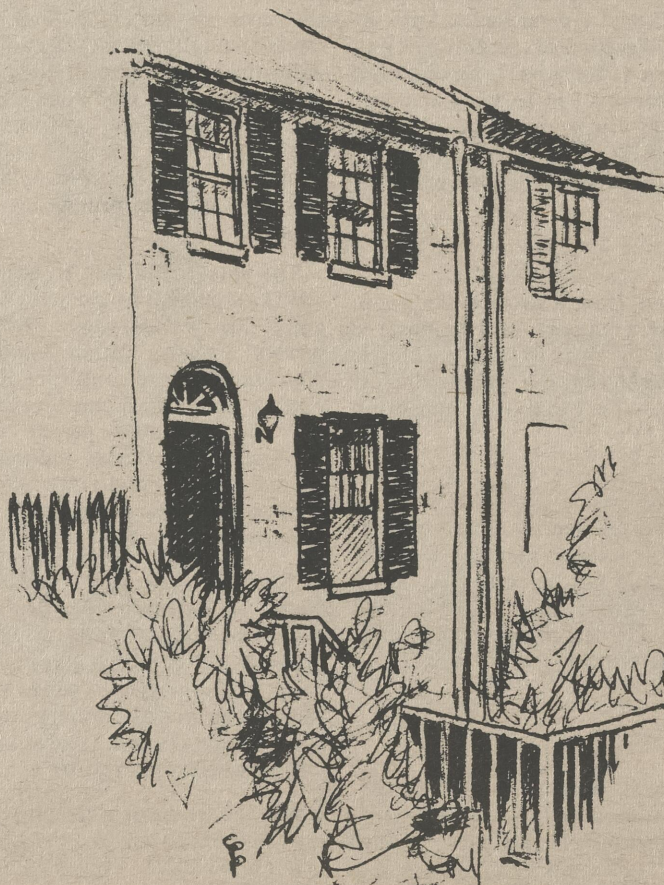
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Let's talk about what any normal, able-bodied citizen can do for himself in the event of personal attack. First of all comes presence of mind. Probably the most important rule of personal security against assault is a calm outward appearance. Beyond this simple prudence, however, lies that big grey area of "what if?" Analyzing incidents of violence over the past decade, authorities have come to agree that complete passivity will not keep an assailant from inflicting harm. Especially in the case of unarmed assaults, it is probably better to resist enough to attract attention and get clear of the attacker. you may not be able to best him in combat, but you will often be able to keep from being taken to a more secluded place.

Knives and clubs require a certain amount of skill to use, and not every mugger is automatically an expert with weapons. In fact, the reverse is often true. Because of this, a certain amount of resistance might be in order. You may receive some injury in escaping, but you will not end up entrapped and at the attacker's mercy.

If confronted with a gun, comply first by giving up your valuables. If the attacker is not satisfied with those, fate probably rests on your own estimate of the situation. Your obvious alternatives are "fight or flight."

There are some new products available that offer citizens the option of using disabling force on attackers, without the risk of



fatality that attends firearms. Of these new products, spay tear gas is probably the most practical. Often called Mace, this fluid induces burning skin, tearing eyes, and a watering nose. It is very disabling and may also contain a dye which helps to identify an assailant later.

A growing number of state legislatures are passing laws which require classes in the safe use of tear gas before an actual purchase is allowed. Learn all you can from these classes and combine that knowledge with these few additional hints.

- Learn to hit a mark about 10 feet away.
- Hold the canister in your left hand when squirting (keeping the master hand free allows you to open or close doors to safety, or even to strike out with your

strongest and best coordinated blow to gain time to draw the spray from your pocket or purse). Lefties should remember to reverse this advice and hold the canister in their right hand.

- Even in bad light, the “V” of the neck at shirt or coat collar level is a good spot to aim. Start low and run the spray up into the face. Be generous: the recipient always recovers a little later.

Many people are now considering firearms for self-protection. But to own a gun implies a large responsibility. Talk with local police and target rangemasters. There are major safety aspects of gun ownership to consider. Investigate them! Remember how curious children are and think

A study of hand-to-hand combat skills like karate can help develop a useful protective technique or it can contribute to false confidence. Find a good instructor. If you locate one who can guide you in learning skills that give you presence of mind and good protective tactics, these courses can be valuable.

Nearly half the crimes of physical violence occur in the vicinity of the victim's automobile or in an area where cars are parked, so personal security in and around your car falls into a category of its own.

If someone is in your car when you return to it, don't approach. Get the police. When you're parking your car at night, make it a rule to look around. Move your car around and shine the headlights into dark areas before unlocking and getting out. (Naturally, you do lock your doors and keep your windows up after dark, don't you?)

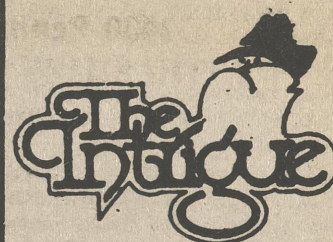
Leave your dome light off when you open doors at night. All such lights momentarily blind you and spotlight you at the same time. As an option, carry a small flashlight to aid in unlocking the door. When you have left your car in dim light, do not go directly back to the driver's side door when you return to it. Rather, walk up to the car from the rear passenger side and use your little light to check the trunk (is it ajar?) and the area of back seat and floor *before* opening a door. Assailants often crouch behind the driver's seat and are hard to see from the front.

Drive to the nearest police station. At least go to an all-night business that is active and has phones in a safe place. Call for assistance from there. Make it a point to learn where such places are along your normal routes.

If you are interested in additional information on personal security, there are three free publications available from the National Institute of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. They contain detailed and practical information on home security. They are: Book I—Basic Techniques of Home Guardianship; II—The Burglary Game; III—Choosing a Good Lock. Write to: U.S. Dept. of Justice, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, Washington, D.C. 20531. The U.S. Dept. of Documents stock numbers are: 1978-260-997/16, 17 and 18.

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## Sheraton Nile Cruise

Jacqueline Cooper

Whether you have spent years in Egypt, as I have, or never set foot there, this is an unforgettable trip. What better time to go than in February when you are numb from cold and the temperatures in Egypt are in the 60s?

I landed in Cairo with a *Thomas Cook* group from London, on a 15-day tour that included a 4-day cruise aboard the Sheraton boat SS ATUN. It would sail from Aswan to Luxor and stop at ancient sites along the way.

The *Thomas Cook* man who met our British Airways flight was a far cry from the splendid figure in navy and gold I remembered in my youth. He was nice, though, and he ran about with a handwritten sign misspelled 'NILE CRUISE.'

One can say many things about Cairo, a dusty city of 10 million, that the traffic is chaotic and that phones don't work. But dull it isn't. There are more things to see in Cairo than even *Thomas Cook* could cram into 3 days. There are 400 mosques in Cairo, and we saw two, one of them the Citadel, built as a fortress by Saladdin in the 12th century. We haggled in the gold and silver shops of the Khan Khalil bazaar, visited the Papyrus Institute, in a houseboat near our Sheraton Hotel, and got a chronological view of Ancient Egypt at the Egyptian Antiquities Museum.

The Museum, which is shabby and is to be renovated, contains the gold mask of Tutankhamen, and some of the world's masterpieces. As a child, I had met Howard Carter who discovered King Tut's tomb, and heard from him, before I read it in school, the story of the boy Pharaoh.

Of course, we all saw the Pyramids and the Sphinx, and had tea at the Mena House Oberoi where Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin plotted their moves. In the evening there was a sound and light show at the Sphinx.

By now our English group knew that I spoke Arabic. They made

me unofficial Tour Leader, appointed me Chief Bargainer, and consulted me on everything from Ramses II to upset stomachs.

Luxor, once ancient Thebes, 400 miles south and an hour's flight from Cairo, is famous for the Valley of the Kings, the burial grounds of the Pharaohs. You won't believe how vivid and well preserved the colors on walls and ceilings are inside the tombs, after all these centuries. When we were in Luxor, the American balloonist, Maxie Anderson, took off on a transglobal flight, and President Sadat was staying at the old Winter Palace with Chancellor Kreisky of Austria.

In Aswan, long a favorite winter resort because of its dry climate, we boarded the SS ATUN.

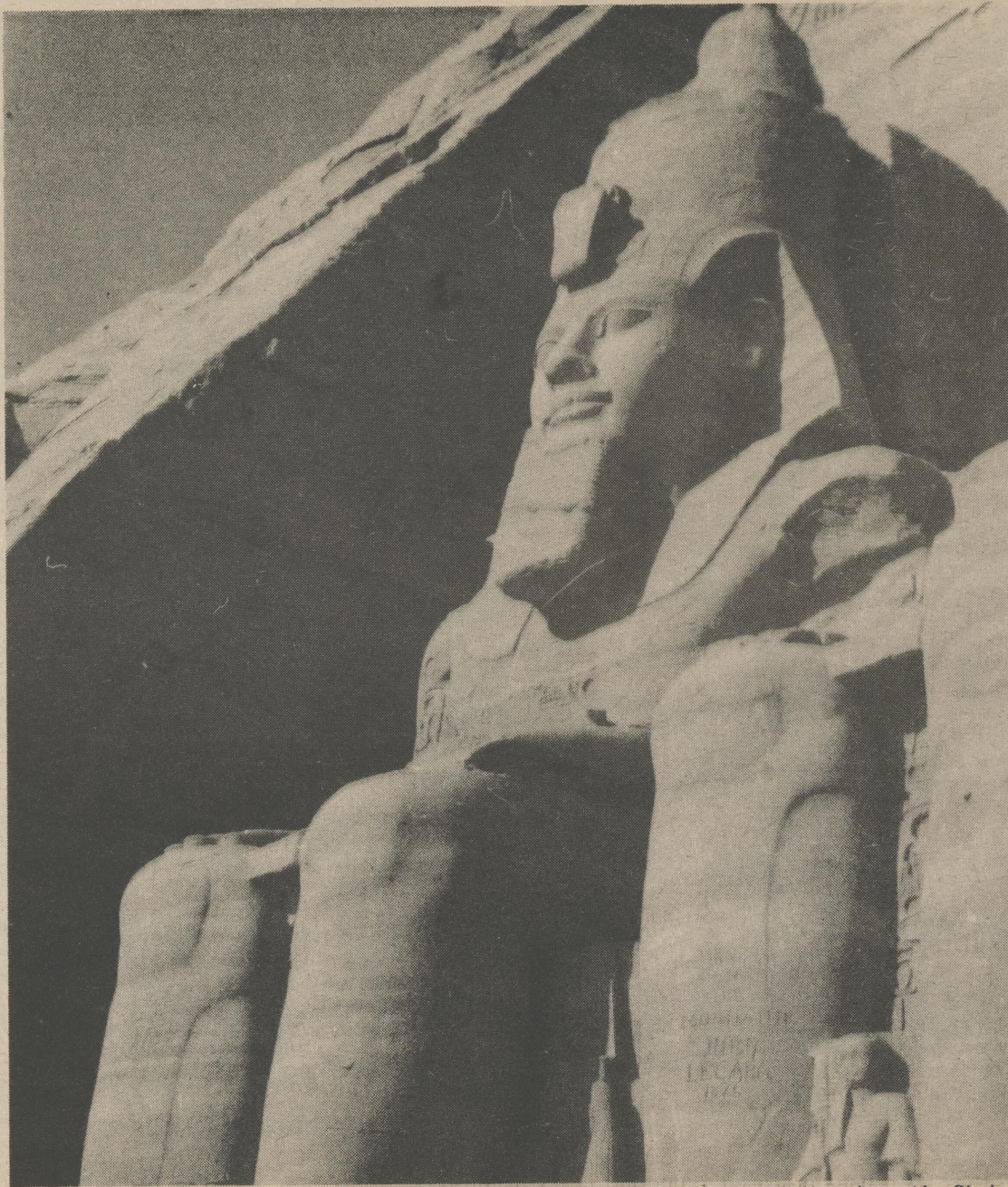
"Sorry," said the purser to your Foggy Bottom Tour Leader, "we have no *Thomas Cook* reservation. 'Come back tomorrow!'"

I howled. I read passenger lists. I threatened to call London — as though I would have got through. We had lunch (the food on board was excellent). Then mysteriously, a Telex was found, and we were unpacking in our air-conditioned cabins.

The SS ATUN, built in Norway, carried 190 passengers and a crew of 90, and everything worked. Since we were not yet due to leave Aswan, we made a trip in a *felucca*, a Nile barge with tall graceful sails, to Kitchener Island, then visited the Aga Khan Mausoleum and the new High Dam.

For many, the highlight of the entire trip was the visit by plane to the colossal temples at Abu Simbel, at dawn the next day.

When the High Dam was completed in the 60s, the Nile flooded land between Aswan and the Sudan border, threatening to submerge the monuments forever. Egypt appealed to the world and to UNESCO for help, and in a show of rare unity, millions responded. The temples were dismantled and moved to safer ground, a remarkable feat.



Ramses II at the temple at Abu Simbel

A soft whirring sound awakened us at 4:30 a.m. We were leaving Aswan. On deck the air was still, voices low, as if everyone remembered a past existence.

Around breakfast time a sandstorm began to blow. But when the boat stopped at the temple of Kom Ombo, the tourists poured out with their Tour Leaders and cameras. This Tour Leader walked 10 yards in whirling sand and turned back to have a shampoo blow dry at the tiny beauty parlor on board.

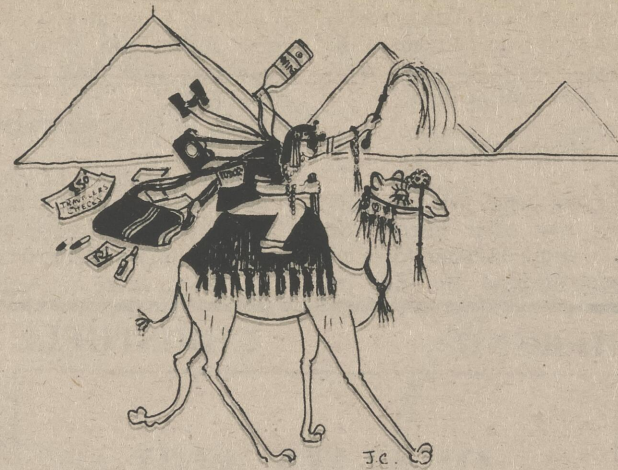
Later, the tourists returned, delighted with the temples and the deities, comparing prices of souvenirs in a dozen languages. Some had put on *galabiyas*, the long Egyptian robes, over their own clothes, and I couldn't take my eyes off them. For the tourists, the sandstorm added to the local color. For me, the tourists did.

Our boat stopped again at Edfu and at Esna and, in horse drawn carriages, we visited the Ptolemaic temples with their hawk and ram headed gods. Then we were out in the middle of the Nile, and palm trees were slipping by against the golden hills.

We disembarked at Luxor, and set off on the 5-hour drive to the Sheraton Hotel at Hurgada on the Red Sea. This is a beautiful but isolated spot, with coral reefs, swimming, and snorkeling, a good place to unwind. But after seeing the wonders of Ancient Egypt, its gods and its mummies, I, for one, had no wish to unwind.

One last night in Cairo, one last bargaining session in the bazaar, and we were off to London.

The skies were grey when we reached Heathrow, but so what else is new?



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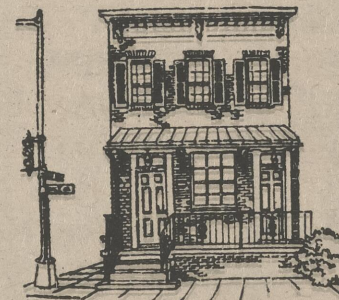
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## Foggy Bottom Farmers' Almanac

by William S. Lattin

Along Potomac's shores summer's opening curtain, as at a finale, is raised to a full stage. The warmed river waters have brought the fishermen to the landings where fish jump and swallows zoom for the insects that have come with the balmy air. Over the land the sky above the rooftops is filled by day with Swifts and Martins, and after dark with the cry of the Night Hawk and the wind-screach of his wings in a pull-up over head.

To the American Indians June is the moon of fatness. The land and everything on the land is at its best — grass and all green growing things most lush and succulent. New growth at tree branch ends is as soft and pliable as long grass, and treetops have a temporary willowy quality that with a breeze makes them billow like a cloud. In the early evening of such a day look for them in the east where sunset light will catch their silvery under-foliage as they roll and boil like the cumulus clouds that are sometimes there and also catching the sunset light.

This June moon of fatness and its lushness isn't all aesthetic; all manner of insects know it too, and the aphid most of all. There's an insidiousness to it too; when my plants are looking their very best, they are the most vulnerable

to these troublesome pests. Now I love plants, but it's no labor of love; I love to avoid labor. So need it our not, they all get a double spraying every two weeks — one an insecticide, and one a fungicide. Last year under this regimen our balcony roses were free of insects or disease for the first time. I still plant the organic gardener's insect repellants (onion, marigold, chrysanthemum) between most plants, just in case. And it's no labor of love that causes me to cover the soil of every pot, tub, window box and hanging basket with pine bark nuggets; it eliminates the weeding and cuts down on the watering. Don't use wood chips as a substitute; they take the nitrogen from your soil in the process of their rather rapid disintegration. So if you'd rather go fishing, spray and mulch.

And about fishing, I have finally learned how to know without an almanac the time of the incoming Potomac tide that all good fishermen know generally brings their best catches. Here at the foot of Virginia Ave., where the tide fluctuates a total of three feet (18 inches up and 18 inches down) it's during the six hour period before moonset as the moon in any of its phases approaches the western horizon. June — enjoy it.

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### Introducing . . .

by Elizabeth Ann Miller

The News discovered two new businesses last month. Here are a few details about each.

#### One Chef's Art

**Jean-Louis at Watergate.** 2650 Virginia Avenue N.W., is a restaurant that opened in November, 1979 in the room that once served as the Democratic Party's Social Headquarters. Jean-Louis is the name of the chef as well as the name of the restaurant, and the restaurant is indeed the chef. Unlike many restaurants, there is no lengthy menu from which to choose. Instead, you have choice of two or three dishes for each course and the presentation of a dish is as exciting as the taste.

Jean Louis was born in a small town in Gascony. He began to work in a restaurant at the age of twelve preparing vegetables. He attended a restaurant training school in Toulouse for one year where he learned restaurant administration, but it helped him "not one bit". We asked Jean-Louis, who has worked at L'Hotel de Paris

in Monte Carlo and the Plaza d'Athene in Paris, how he happened to come to the United States.

"My best friend was a chef. Together we opened a restaurant in a Fourteenth Century chapel in Gascony. We worked together for seven years, and then my friend died. I continued working for another three years in partnership with my friend's widow, but there was a gradual parting of ways."

At that point Nicolas Salgo, a long-time devotee of Jean-Louis' restaurant, and owner of the Watergate, came to dinner and asked to speak to the chef. "How can I get you to come to the United States?" he asked.

With the same spontaneity that brought him to the United States, Jean-Louis prepares the menus for each meal. "At 8:30 in the morning, I go to the market and buy the best of what is good. I prefer American-grown produce to imports. America has excellent produce. Between 10:00 and 10:30 I put together the menu for the luncheon service. After the luncheon service I make a list of everything that I bought in the morning and then compose the dinner menu. It's like a puzzle and no two days are alike."

Jean-Louis is particularly proud of his snow peas in coral butter, and his Japanese

shitake. He is also fond of working with truffles and has an entire menu composed of different truffle combinations.

"I taste the fruit and add sugar only as needed."

Our meal ended with coffee, a blend of French and Java that Jean-Louis chose after sampling at least 10 different flavors. We observed that the table cream was thicker than usual.

"I get my butter and cream from a farm in Maryland where it is made specially for me," Jean-Louis explained. "It is all natural. We use no preservatives. And we get only sweet butter."

We added the cream to the coffee, and as we sipped it slowly and appreciatively, we remembered that when President and Mrs. Reagan dined at Jean-Louis, they remained one hour longer than they had planned. We understood perfectly.

#### Gifts from Other Worlds

If you collect or study orientalia, or if you simply enjoy pretty things, you might enjoy **The Watergate Collection**, 600 New Hampshire Avenue N.W. Prices range from \$4.00 for a small wicker basket to \$10,000 for the big green vase in the window.

Carol Bloom, an interior designer who manages the

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### Opera Week

Elizabeth Ann Miller

Opera Week, the Washington Opera's most important annual fund-raising event, will take place May 26-30 on radio station WGMS. Each day, the station will auction a large gift, donated by one of several local merchants, to raise funds for Washington's Opera Company.

The Washington Opera is working to become a world-class company. In 1980-81, its season was expanded from 16 performances to 47 and from four operas to seven, of which five were new productions. According to Martin Feinstein, General director of the opera, next year's season will feature 57 performances, including nine new subscription series.

The company will open at the Opera House with five performances each of Puccini's *La Boheme*, Verdi's *Macbeth* and Mozart's *The Magic Flute*. Performances in the Terrace Theater begin November 30 with Stravinsky's *The Rake's Progress*, followed by Donizetti's *L'Elisir d'Amore*, a double-bill of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Trial by Jury* and Offenbach's *Monsieur Choufleuri* and a revival of Rossini's *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*, concluding on January 16 after a total of 38 performances.

The Washington Opera Guild conducts Opera Week each year. The guild was created in 1974 to help support the company. Its first year, it had 700 members. It now has 2,000. The guild raised \$55,000 during last year's Opera Week. "The most important result of last year's opera week," says Sally Boasberg, chairman of Opera Week '81, "was a vast increase in opera subscriptions, and with next year's expanded season, I think we can look forward to this year the same and better."



## Dining Out in Foggy Bottom

Maureen Mosher

I recently had the pleasure of dining at Les Champs restaurant, located in the Watergate, on my way to the Kennedy Center. I used to dine there regularly six years ago and wanted to renew this old acquaintance. Since I dined there last, it had changed management. Although I arrived there at 7 p.m. on a weekday night, I had no difficulty getting seated at a table. No sooner had I sat down when a handsome courteous waiter dressed in a sharp red uniform appeared at my elbow to take my cocktail order.

As I sipped my scotch, I drank in the well-matched but eclectic decor. A blond wood staircase fence divided the room up into two sections. There was a raised-level section with red-carpeted floor adjacent to blond wood-slatted windows which faced the Watergate shopping mall corridor. I dined in the lower-level section which had a floor of earth-colored square stone tiles and scarlet walls which sported Kennedy Center performance posters and other assorted posters and pictures. The ceiling above was also divided into two parts: A section consisting of brown brick arches and a section consisting of orange corrugated tin. Casablanca fans hung from all sections of the ceilings.

My friend and I shared a liver pate appetizer which was nicely spiced and served with a generous portion of fresh crisp bread and butter. Their appetizers range from \$3.75 to \$6.25. Among the most expensive and intriguing was the Escargots in mushroom caps.

I ordered lamb with broccoli and was pleasantly surprised when I bit into the broccoli and found that it was still somewhat crisp yet tender and tasty. Although only butter and salt had been added to it, its own flavor was delicately delicious and far better than any taste treats offered by Hollandaise

sauce. The lamb was tender and juicy and had a hint of garlic and mint flavor to it.

My friend ordered the cold salmon herb mayonnaise. Her plate was half covered with flaky tender pink salmon stuffed with cold cooked spinach surrounded with potato salad, cole slaw, tomatoes and hard-boiled eggs. The salmon was excellent and without bones. I even enjoyed the cole slaw which has never been one of my preferred dishes.

The menu is short with only 6 or 8 entrees for dinner ranging from Rainbow trout for \$7.95 to Delmonico Steak in red wine for \$11.85. The entrees we ordered were \$8.50 apiece. There is also a less expensive supper section on the menu which ranges from Cheese Blintzes for \$4.95 to Herb Frittata for \$5.95. A salad bar is available with the supper entrees for an additional \$1.50.

As we finished each course, our waiter would appear out of nowhere at exactly the moment when we were ready to order our next course. I had not been to any restaurant up until then where that happened and it was a dream come true. To me, that is the epitome of good service.

We topped off our meal with a pastry selection from the Watergate Bakery and a cup of Mocha-Blend Coffee Espresso. I had a chocolate pastry and my friend had a lemon and both were equally rich, heavy and laden with calories. The coffee was excellent and was served with real cream and worth every penny of the 95 cents it cost. In addition to the pastry tray selection at \$1.50 apiece, the dessert menu offered apple strudel for \$1.95 and Mousse Au Grand Marnier for \$2.50.

Our entire bill, including tax, tip and bottle of the house white wine, came to \$22.50 apiece.

## Watergate Collection

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shop, has come to the aid of a number of friends of the Reagans in recent months. She explained to us the origin of The Watergate Collection.

"It came about when Nicolas Salgo, owner of the Watergate, decided to sell some of the purchases he had made in his travels to China. Everything in the original collection was authentically Chinese and was acquired directly from the People's Republic of China. We have an extraordinary collection of antique carved jade, jewelry, porcelain and wood carvings."

In ancient China jade was considered more precious than gold. It was called the Stone of Heaven because it was believed to bring health and prosperity to its owner. Did you know that jade comes in an enormous range of colors: black, lavender, brown, and white as well as various shades of green?

The Watergate Collection also features crystal from Germany and Columbo Salotti furniture. Columbo Salotti is a contemporary Italian designer who works with fine Italian leather.

"We import the furniture directly from Italy with no middleman," Ms. Bloom told us, and we ship both gifts and furniture anywhere in the United States."

There is considerable variety in the Watergate Collection. We noticed antique Chinese necklaces, bracelets and earrings made of jade and other stones, enormous lacquered Chinese Red Bamboo vases 62" high, an antique handcrafted and handpainted 8-sided wooden box that dates back almost 200 years, silver Chinese fingernails which, when placed on a coffee table, are meant to serve as conversation pieces, handsome antique trunks in fine condition that are over 100 years old, lacquered Chinese Red bamboo trays, silk-covered boxes for jewelry, silk evening purses from China, and a stunning bouquet of pink flowers with petals of rose quartz and leaves of rich, green jade planted in a cloisonne vase.

### A Neighborhood Market

The Griffin Market, 1425 — 28th Street N.W., is a small store situated on the outskirts of Georgetown. Its grey brick townhouse exterior makes it indistinguishable from the residences surrounding it and its wooden floor and one-room interior reminded us of a country store. In the words of Arthur Yood, the gentleman who manages the Griffin Market, "it is a neighborhood market devoted

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"It's really a specialty store," said a large, heavy-set customer wearing a black and red check shirt and heavy boots. "There are some things that you can't find anywhere else. I've come from as

far as Columbia Road!" Considering he'd come via public transportation, we could appreciate the genuineness of his praise.

"Our bread is really special," Mr. Yood explained. "It is all freshly baked and delivered fresh. And some of our bakers are small entrepreneurs who serve only a few neighborhood stores. Our macaroons were written up in the Washington Post."

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## Directory of Local Recycling Centers

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We are very pleased to announce that there will be no cut in the summer hours at the West End Branch Library. The hours will be 1:PM to 9:PM Monday and Wednesday, 9:30AM to 5:30 PM Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and closed on Saturday. We feel very fortunate that we still have our two nights of service. If we can keep up our use of the branch, we may be able to keep to an absolute minimum any projected cuts in service beginning in October.

Mr. Horrell has told us that he heard from Dr. Hardy Franklin, Public Library Director, that the Mayor was very pleased by the large number of letters that he has received from residents of the Foggy Bottom-West End area concerning the branch and how important it is to our community. We thank you for all your help.

Mr. Horrell also advised us that they will take delivery of the new computer sometime in the fall which will enable them to be hooked up to the main library as well as the various regional branches. This will be a real boon to us as it will allow much closer contact among the various branches.

The Friends will soon start placing announcements of various activities, etc., on the bulletin board at the branch. This will enable you to keep up with events in the various Friends' groups. The first event will be sponsored by the Tenley Branch Friends which will be a book sale on Saturday, May

30 in front of the Martin Luther King Memorial Library. The Library has asked all of the various Friends Groups to help out on that day in order to make it a combined effort. Anyone wishing to give a little time on this important event should call Mr. Soo Hoo at 363-6156. He will be very happy to have you and it will show the rest of the city that we are willing to help out. Also, our name will appear in the credits.

On the first of May, your chairman was invited to the Grand Opening of the new Robert Christian Community Library at 13th and H Streets N.E. We were very happy to attend and see this, the newest Branch in the city.

Mr. Horrell has asked us if we could poll the neighborhood residents to find out how many children still live in the area. Due to all the condominium changes in the area the figures have vastly changed from those of 1980. Could you fill in the number of children that you have in each household and give their ages and return the tear-off to the Branch so that we can count everyone?

I should like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support in the short time that the Friends have been established! Please keep up the good work!

Robert F. Alcorn, Chairman

The Friends of the West End Branch Library

## Let's Make Foggy Bottom Shine!



This is a call for all Foggy Bottom residents who would like the neighborhood to shine for spring and for the general enjoyment of all who live in our pass through the Bottom.

A community clean-up campaign is scheduled for Saturday, June 6 and willing helpers are urgently needed. What we envision is a massive picking-up of anything unsightly, and it will be done in cooperation with the city. If enough willing hands turn out, it should not be a drawn-out proposition, perhaps taking no more than an hour or so.

We hope this is the beginning of a regular and long-lasting campaign to keep the neighborhood tidy, forming the basis for a small, dedicated group of people who would "pick up" certain small areas of the neighborhood on a regular basis. At present the campaign is planned for 9:30 in the morning and Ellie Becker, who is in charge of it, would appreciate your calling her at 337-5528 to volunteer and get further details.

Come on out and help: it will be great for the neighborhood and also good for your figure!

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